candidates in appointment to E.D. posts provided they fulfil the minimum eligibility conditions prescribed in this regard by the Department.

[*Translation*]

Opening of post offices in Rohtas district of Bihar

1331. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to open additional post offices in Bihar particularly in rural areas of Rohtas district; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to open 250 Branch Post Offices in Rural Areas of Bihar during the current year i.e. 1991-92, out of which 5 are proposed to be opened in Rohtas District.

(b) It is proposed to open Branch post offices at Mojari, Kohari, Sarai-Imalia, Narainpur and Bodarhi in Rohtas District, Bihar.

Expansion of telephone exchanges in Bihar

1332. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of telephone exchanges in Bihar expanded during 1989-90 and 1990-91; and

(b) the number of telephone exchanges likely to be expanded during 1991-92?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) The number of telephone exchanges in Bihar expanded during 1989-90, 1990-91 are 31 and 87 respectively.

(b) During 91-92 it is proposed to expand 106 telephone exchanges.

Central assistance to Bihar for control of water-logging

1333. SHRI CHHEDI PASWAN:
SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:
SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state the details of Central assistance provided to Bihar for the control of water-logging in north Bihar during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): No Central assistance for the control of water logging in North Bihar has been given. Six drainage schemes in the Command of Kosi and Gandak projects costing Rs. 42.39 crores were approved by Planning Commission for execution by the State Government from their Plan funds. As per the present policy, Central assistance is in the form of block grants and loans not attached to any sector of development or a project.

[*English*]

Facilities to Kashmiri migrants

1334. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the facilities provided to Kashmiri migrants by the Union Government;

(b) whether some instances of desecration/destruction of religious places have come to the notice of the Government; and

(c) the steps taken to protect the religious places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) to (c) A statement is attached.

STATEMENT

The Government has taken a number of relief measures to look after the day to day needs of the migrants, which are as follows:—

In Jammu, the migrants are being given cash assistance of Rs. 10 per day per head subject to a maximum of Rs. 1,000 per month per family of 4 or more persons, in addition to free ration of 9 Kg rice, 2 Kg atta and 1 Kg sugar per head per month and accommodation in Govt. buildings/tents subject to availability. Free medical aid, blankets etc. have also been provided.

In Delhi, cash relief of Rs. 200/- per person per month subject to a maximum of Rs. 800/- per month per family of 4 or more persons is being provided to the migrants living outside the camps. Those living in camps, set up by Delhi Administration, are being paid cash relief of Rs. 125/- per head per month subject to a maximum of Rs. 500/- per month per family of 4 or more members in addition to one time kitchen and bedding kit and monthly dry ration costing about Rs. 500/-. Arrangements for regular visits of medical teams to the camps have also been made.

Instructions have also been issued for admission of children to schools, colleges and professional Institutions, transfer of bank and postal saving accounts, payment of leave salary, Pension and also expeditious disposal of LIC claims etc.

In terrorist attacks some religious places in the Valley have been affected.

Security to religious places is a part of the over all effort of the Administration to contain terrorism and bring back normalcy in the Valley. However, in case of sensitive religious places additional security has been provided.

[*Translation*]

Constitution of Telephone Advisory Committee in Rajasthan

1335. SHRI RAM NARAIN BERWA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to constitute any Telephone Advisory Committee for Rajasthan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Telecom Advisory Committees for Rajasthan Circle and Jaipur District have been constituted as per details in Statement I and II on 29-3-91 and are under review.

STATEMENT I

Telecom Advisory Committee for Rajasthan

List of Members nominated for Telephone/Telecom Advisory Committee, Rajasthan

I. *Members of Parliament*—To be nominated later on.

II. *State Legislature*

1. Shri Devi Singh Bati, Kolayat.
2. Shri. Rajendra Rathore, Churu.